

Bolivar Bulletin.

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THE TRUE PLAN.—It is truly gratifying to observe with what a willing hand the people of this county are taking hold of the true plan for the future welfare and prosperity of the South, and the revolution now going on in regard to agricultural products destined to show an exhibit satisfactory to all. During the past winter the press, with an almost unanimous voice, have protested against the excessive planting of cotton the coming season, and the steps now being taken show that the warning words put forth have not fallen unheeded upon the planters' ears. As an instance of what is being done, we will state that one of our most wealthy and intelligent producers, Paul T. Jones, Esq., will cultivate this year nine hundred and fifty acres of land, and that four hundred of the same will be devoted to the production of corn. This is not the only case we could cite in particular, but assure the public everywhere that our people are alive to the great and all important subject of self-sustenance, and that they are determined to live off the cereals produced here, and hold cotton as a secondary or surplus production. Last spring the producers of cotton were made to pay from 28 to 31 cents per pound for bacon, \$1.60 per bushel for corn, \$40 per ton for hay, \$18 to \$20 per barrel for flour, all of which came from beyond the Ohio river, and are now unable to sell their cotton for more than 18 or 19 cents per pound. This is a lesson, but it cost tens of thousands, and the intelligent farmer will not allow himself to be longer cajoled with the long flattered lie that cotton is king; for it is not, never has been, nor never will be. Food for man and beast is king, and if any one is foolish enough to deny it, we refer him to the recently published book of the Commissioner of Agriculture, which shows the astonishing fact that the butter crop alone of the State of New York for 1866 was of more value than any cotton crop ever produced in the Empire States of the South—Georgia, while the hay crop alone amounted to \$90,000,000! Can any one ask for additional cause why our people should continue on in the good work now being undertaken? If so, let them look into the action of the Thirty-ninth and Forty-first Congress, and they will see that taxation in the South and protection in the North mean the eternal bankruptcy of the one and the prosperity of the other. Plant corn, plant potatoes, sow grasses, tend to your stock, and let cotton alone. The Indies and Brazil, now that slavery is gone, can afford to, and will furnish the European market with cotton at rates far below what it is being sold for now. Do not lay the flatteringunction to your soul that cotton will be worth more next fall than it is now. There is no reason, not even the shadow of a rational hope, for such belief—the tendency of cotton is downward, downward, and it will never cease to fall until the glut in the production of the staple is broken up, and made to disappear before the augmented increase of those articles necessary to make this people prosperous as they have the thirty farmers of the North.

THE NEW COURT HOUSE.—Up to the present time two designs have been furnished the commissioners for the new Court House. During the present week Mr. Joseph Willis of the firm of Willis & Sloss, architects, Memphis, accompanied by Mr. C. R. Trigg, contractor and builder, from the same city, was in town, and exhibited to the commissioners a design drawn expressly for the purpose, and which, we are pleased to say, meets the decided approbation of all who have seen it. The design is certainly an improvement upon anything of the kind we have ever seen, and should the Court House be constructed according to it and the accompanying specifications, it will be the handsomest county edifice to be found in the entire State. For convenience and adaptability the interior of the building will be a match for the symmetrical front and end elevations, and will contain, on the ground floor, offices for the Clerk of the County Court, Sheriff, Register, Treasurer, and Circuit Court, also a jury room, with fire-proof vaults attached to the office of the County Court Clerk and Register, while the main court room, second floor, will be elegantly arranged for the accommodation of judge, jury, lawyer and audience; having two jury rooms—to the right and left of the stairway landing—over which will be a gallery, with raised seats, giving ample room for all necessary purposes. One very important feature in the design, and one which must at once strike the observer as highly preferable to all others, is that the stairway leading from the lower floor is one continuous winding flight into the gallery, and is so arranged that those who occupy that portion of the house will not have to go through or disturb the court room. The design, we suppose, will be found at the hit in which the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court has been so nearly suffocated in during the past week, and should be seen by all who admire beautiful architecture. We hope the plan will be accepted, and the building put up in strict keeping with the specifications already furnished. Hardeman county should have a temple of justice in keeping with her wealth and intelligence; and as a court house has to be built, let us have one that will be an ornament to the town, and a source of pride to the people of the county. A good article is always the cheapest, even if it does cost more to possess it.

RAPHAEL SMITH.—This gallant and accomplished gentleman has taken the editorial chair of the Memphis Bulletin, and will henceforth labor as earnestly for the good of this people with the pen as he was wont to do with the sword that hung at his side while he paced the deck of the matchless Alabama. As she was the terror of the wave may his new found position be satisfactory to his numerous friends and profitable to himself. No longer can the Bulletin be called the "Wharf" in "the medical press." Admiral Semmes never failed to show his colors yet, and no doubt will cause the heart of the Bulletin to beat like a jolly boat along side of a seventy-four."

The Next Congress.—The Forty-first Congress will assemble on the 4th of March instead of December, as formerly. For reason of this change there will be several States unrepresented when that body convenes, and among the number the following:

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A CALL.—Below we print a call upon Col. Wm. Nuckles. We fully agree with the gentlemen as to the importance of the question. Let us rid ourselves of the incubus under which we have suffered:

"As the time is near when the people of Hardeman should select some gentleman to represent them in the legislature, and having no candidate, we, a portion of the voters of said county, would suggest the name of Col. William Nuckles, as he is every way qualified to fill the position, being one of the first settlers of the county. He certainly knows the wants of the people. We do not interfere with VOTERS."

A SUGGESTION.—Below we print the first and last resolutions adopted by the Radicals in Convention at Nashville on the 22d of last month, as to what we might do now:

"1. That all men are created equal—endowed with certain inalienable rights; and therefore the law should afford equal protection to all in the exercise of these rights, and so far as it can, insure perfect equality under the law."

11. That we cover our faces with shame when we contemplate the disgrace brought upon our beloved State by the defection and treachery of her most principled adopted son, who has fired a bullet at our bosom, dedicated to the Chief Magistrate of the nation; and we shall sincerely entreat any action of Congress which shall legitimately deprive him of continued power to distract the peace of the country."

MARIA.—Brownlow has issued a proclamation to the people of this State, and intimates that he is "dead shot" and at the same time wages no persons of the fact that he will call out the "metax" if they don't quit their bad ways.

According to a published report, prepared by its treasurer, L. M. Scott, the Fayette county Monument and Orphan Fund Association have now on deposit and drawing interest the sum of \$10,000.

In Col.—The Tennessee Legislature has adopted a resolution to pay the members in gold standard.

SUPREME COURT DECISION.—The Supreme Court of this State, on the 22d ult., rendered a decision that the notes of the Bank of Tennessee cannot be received for taxes due the State. It has caused a decline of the notes to 20 cents.

A Washington special says that General Grant yesterday expressed his intention of visiting the President for the purpose of offering him to sign the Military Reconstruction bill.

DRAWS.—A duel was fought in New Orleans a few days ago, in which both parties were killed. Double-barrelled shot-guns at thirty paces were the weapons used.

George T. Holmes, one of the pioneer and honored men of Memphis, died in this city on the 27th ult.

AVAR.—The Nashville Gazette, in noticing the antics of the boorish Tennessee Legislature, thus refers to "general avarice":

The Hardy Smith introduced into the House a bill declaring void all elections wherein the present franchise law was violated. We have had a good deal of this work already—this throwing out of election returns which do not go with Radical projects. Heretofore, it shall be done under color of law! The aforesaid (black) Smith also offered a resolution to investigate into the condition of the State. We pity the poor committee. If they attempt the investigation is pro forma, they will undoubtedly be hanged, drawn and quartered. The Free Press and Times every day.

COMMERCIAL.—Messrs. Feb. 28.—Cotton market heavy and dull, middlings 21@22c. Gold 36@37, buying.

Larwood, Feb. 27.—Cotton dull, up 13@14c.

New York, Feb. 28.—Cotton 30@31, Gold 1.35@1.40.

A telegram dated Lexington, Ky., Feb. 29th says Jas. Robertson, son of Chas. Jas. Robertson, was found dead in the suburbs this morning, from inexperience and exposure.

REVOLUTION THREATENED.—

London, February 27.—The party under Harcourt's leadership have resolved to join their forces with the Liberals. Plans have been submitted for concluding "the war for the freedom of Ireland" and it is contended that if the vigilance of the British Government in Ireland should render movements there hazardous, to transfer operations to England and Scotland.

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Hiring residence for drug store from Dr. T. M. HARR